

DHSLUNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
CIVIL MINUTES—  
GENERAL

Case No. 5:23-cv-00815-SSS-KKx

Date May 11, 2023

Title *Theresa Brooke v. Ujas 29 Palms, LLC*

Present: The Honorable SUNSHINE S. SYKES, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Irene Vazquez

Not Reported

Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter

Attorney(s) Present for Plaintiff(s):

Attorney(s) Present for Defendant(s):

None Present

None Present

**Proceedings: (IN CHAMBERS) ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

The Complaint filed in this action asserts a claim for injunctive relief based on an alleged violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”), 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., and a claim for damages pursuant to California’s Unruh Civil Rights Act (“Unruh Act”), Cal. Civ. Code § 51 et seq. The Court possesses only supplemental jurisdiction over the Unruh Act claim. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a).

The supplemental jurisdiction statute “reflects the understanding that, when deciding whether to exercise supplemental jurisdiction, ‘a federal court should consider and weigh in each case, and **at every stage of the litigation**, the values of judicial economy, convenience, fairness, and comity.’” *City of Chicago v. Int’l Coll. of Surgeons*, 522 U.S. 156, 173 (1997) (emphasis added) (quoting *Carnegie-Mellon Univ. v. Cohill*, 484 U.S. 343, 350 (1988)). The Court therefore orders Plaintiff to show cause in writing why the Court should exercise supplemental jurisdiction over the Unruh Act claim. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1367(c).

Plaintiff shall identify the amount of statutory damages sought. Plaintiff and plaintiff’s counsel shall also support their responses to this Order with declarations, signed under penalty of perjury, providing all facts necessary for the Court to determine if they satisfy the definition of a “high-frequency litigant” as provided by California Civil Procedure Code sections 425.55(b)(1) & (2).

**Plaintiff shall file a Response to this Order to Show Cause by no later than June 9, 2023.** The Court sets a hearing date regarding this Order to Show Cause on **June 23, 2023 at 1:00 PM** via zoom.<sup>1</sup> This matter and all current deadlines are **STAYED** pending resolution of this Order to Show Cause.

Plaintiff's failure to timely or adequately respond to this Order may, without further warning, result in the dismissal of the entire action without prejudice or the Court declining to exercise supplemental jurisdiction over the Unruh Act claim and dismissing the claim pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367(c).

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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<sup>1</sup> The Court refers the Parties to Judge Sykes' website for details regarding hearings via zoom: <https://www.cacd.uscourts.gov/honorable-sunshine-s-sykes>.